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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

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The Food and Drug Administration's Education and Outreach Program Targeting School-Aged Children

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice; U48.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of grant funds for the support of the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition's (CFSAN) Education and Outreach Program Targeting School-Aged Children (U48). The goal of the Education and Outreach Program Targeting School-Aged Children (U48) is to support educational outreach programs targeting school-aged children which promotes FDA's mission. As part of FDA's mission to promote and protect public health, the educational program's mission is to perform outreach to schoolchildren using FDA-approved food safety and nutrition messages. This proposed cooperative agreement requires the supporting organization to provide teachers for one school year to extend CFSAN's outreach into schools.

DATES: The application due date is July 1, 2015, by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic applications to: <http://www.grants.gov>. For more information, see section III of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

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For more information on this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) and to obtain detailed requirements, please refer to the full FOA located at <http://www.grants.gov>. Search by Funding Opportunity Number: RFA-FD-15-011.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Funding Opportunity Description

RFA-FD-15-011

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A. Background

This FOA is soliciting an application from the Graduate School USA to support and extend the education programs of the Education Team in the Office of Analytics and Outreach. As part of its mission to promote and protect public health, the Education Team is tasked to implement targeted education programs that reach school-aged children using FDA-approved food safety and nutrition messages. This cooperative agreement requires the grantee to provide 37 teachers for one school year to extend CFSAN's reach into additional U.S. schools. The selected grantee must train and ensure that these 37 teachers will use the FDA curriculum Science and Our Food Supply (SOFS), which has been approved by FDA scientists. The grantee

shall also guarantee that these teachers will use CFSAN's educational materials and, in turn, support and promote food safety and nutrition on a national scale.

This cooperative agreement will support the commitment of 37 middle and high school teachers to implement the FDA-National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) supplementary food science curriculum SOFS, and includes one week of targeted training with this curriculum as the basis of instruction. It also includes a 1-day Enhancement Training session at the December NSTA Regional Conference. SOFS content is linked to specific national science education standards to help teachers integrate this content into their existing classroom materials. The course covers the latest research on food safety, food microbiology, epidemiology, and nutrition from FDA experts and scientists. These 37 teachers must conduct a train-the-teacher session for other science teachers in their area of the country on how to successfully use SOFS in their classrooms. To date, 620 teachers have completed the week-long program, reaching approximately 13,000 teachers and more than 7 million students across the country. Teachers in this program have represented all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and Puerto Rico.

In recent years, CFSAN has added other training and online resources through the NSTA Learning Center, as well as FDA and Graduate School Web sites. The grantee shall assume the responsibilities of arranging print and electronic program advertisements to science teachers through science teacher journals, Web-based formats, and listservs (where appropriate). The grantee shall act as a National Training Coordinator for the year-round SOFS content delivery by teachers. In addition, the grantee shall oversee and coordinate exhibiting at one regional NSTA conference in the fall of 2015 and one national NSTA conference in spring 2016. The goal of this cooperative agreement is to provide continued support for this program, which requires

around-the-calendar attention to cover the various stages of teacher primary training, in-school SOFS curriculum implementation, secondary training, and train-the-teacher programs, as well as to distribute food science education materials to teachers to promote student education in food safety and nutrition.

B. Research Objectives

Specific objectives of this support are to:

- Provide 37 teachers from diverse U.S. schools a weeklong course in food science in the Washington, DC metropolitan area;
- distribute approved food science curricula and other materials for the train-the-teacher session and exhibit at the national NSTA and regional NSTA conferences; and
- facilitate, identify, and prioritize technical assistance and development needs, develop strategic and project plans, and allocate resources to coordinate FDA training program components for U.S. teachers actively incorporating FDA's food safety and nutrition curriculum in their classrooms, as specified in the various training components of this proposed cooperative agreement.

C. Eligibility Information

The following organization is eligible to apply: Graduate School USA.

II. Award Information/Funds Available

A. Award Amount

The number of awards is contingent upon FDA appropriations and the submission of a sufficient number of meritorious applications. Future year amounts will depend on annual appropriations, availability of funding and awardee performance.

FDA/CFSAN intends to fund up to \$452,700.00 for fiscal year 2015 in support of this grant program. Application budgets need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project and should not exceed the following in total costs (direct and indirect):

YR 1: \$452,700

YR 2: \$500,000

YR 3: \$500,000

YR 4: \$500,000

YR 5: \$500,000

B. Length of Support

The scope of the proposed project should determine the project period. The maximum project period is 5 years.

III. Electronic Application, Registration, and Submission

Only electronic applications will be accepted. To submit an electronic application in response to this FOA, applicants should first review the full announcement located at <http://www.grants.gov>. Search by Funding Opportunity Number: RFA-FD-15-011. (FDA has verified the Web site addresses throughout this document, but FDA is not responsible for any subsequent changes to the Web sites after this document publishes in the Federal Register.) For all electronically submitted applications, the following steps are required.

- Step 1: Obtain a Dun and Bradstreet (DUNS) Number
- Step 2: Register With System for Award Management (SAM)
- Step 3: Obtain Username & Password
- Step 4: Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) Authorization
- Step 5: Track AOR Status

- Step 6: Register With Electronic Research Administration (eRA) Commons

Steps 1 through 5, in detail, can be found at

http://www07.grants.gov/applicants/organization_registration.jsp. Step 6, in detail, can be found at <https://commons.era.nih.gov/commons/registration/registrationInstructions.jsp>. After you have followed these steps, submit electronic applications to: <http://www.grants.gov>.

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